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Applicant: SANO et al.

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Examiner: R. M. JOYNES

For: CONTROLLED RELEASE PREPARATIONS HAVING  
MULTI-LAYER STRUCTURELARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM  
FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**MS AF**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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| TOTAL   | 10  | -   | 20 | = | 0                | \$ 18 | \$0.00            |
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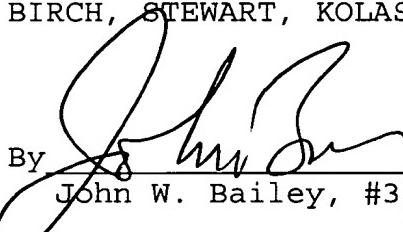
- Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$110.00 for the extension of time.
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Respectfully submitted,

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